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## Dear Interested Party:

Over the next year, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Salmon Field Office will be evaluating allotments within the Kriley Creek to Kirtley Creek watershed north of Salmon, Idaho. This evaluation will document whether the allotments are meeting the Idaho Standards for Rangeland Health. The Standards for Rangeland Health, as applied in Idaho, are used as the BLM's management goals for the betterment of the environment, protection of cultural resources, and sustained productivity of the range. They are developed with the specific intent of providing for the multiple uses of the public lands. Seven allotments, totaling approximately 37,011 acres are scheduled for evaluation. These allotments are: Badger Springs, Diamond Creek, Diamond-Moose, Fenster Creek, Freeman Creek, Kirtley Creek, Tower Creek, and South Carmen Creek.

The BLM Salmon Field Office will be interpreting indicators of rangeland health in May as part of the evaluation process and is extending an invitation to anyone interested in participating in the field reviews. To date, the Salmon Field Office has current data for five of the seven allotments. Two of the allotments require a field review. Below is a tentative schedule of field days and the allotments to be evaluated in 2011:

Allotment	Acres	Tentative Date(s)
South Carmen Creek	15,042	May 17 and May 19
Kirtley Creek	2,197	May 24 and May 26

If you are interested in participating with the Salmon Field Office staff on these allotment evaluations, please contact this office. If you notify us you're interested in participating, we will keep you informed of any changes that occur with the schedule, which will allow us to provide you further details for the assessments.

In addition to the information collected during these field reviews, other data will be used during the evaluation process. We would be interested in any monitoring studies or other data you would like us to consider during the evaluation process. If you have data you would like considered please contact us.

Questions may be addressed to Craig Nemeth at (208) 756-5425, Kyra Povirk at (208) 756-5411, or Mark Bonner (208) 756-5414.

Sincerely,

/s/ Steve Hartmann

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